

1999; H.R. 1743, Environmental Protection Agency Office of Air and Radiation Authorization Act of 1999; and H.R. 1656, Department of Energy Commercial Application of Energy Technology Authorization Act of 1999.

The Committee began markup of H.R. 1744, National Institute of Standards and Technology Authorization Act of 1999.

The Committee recessed subject to call.

ELECTRONIC COMMERCE

Committee on Small Business: Held a hearing on Electronic Commerce: The Benefits and Pitfalls of Conducting Business Over the Internet. Testimony was heard from Daniel O. Hill, Assistant Administrator, Technology, SBA; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—OFFICE OF MOTOR CARRIERS AND OF BUS SAFETY

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Ground Transportation held an oversight hearing on the Office of Motor Carriers and of Bus Safety. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Transportation: Eugene A. Conti, Jr., Assistant Secretary, Transportation Policy; and Kenneth R. Wykle, Administrator, Federal Highway Administration; Joseph Osterman, Director, Office of Highway Safety, National Transportation Safety Board; the following officials of the State of New Jersey: C. Richard Kamin, Assistant Commissioner, Division of Motor Vehicles; and James Crawford, Executive Director, South Jersey Transportation Authority; former Representative Norman Mineta of California; and public witnesses.

ADMINISTRATION'S HARBOR SERVICES FEE PROPOSAL

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment held a hearing on the Administration's Harbor Services Fee Proposal. Testimony was heard from Joseph W. Westphal, Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works), Department of Defense; and public witnesses.

FOSTER CARE INDEPENDENCE ACT

Committee on Ways and Means: Ordered reported amended H.R. 1802, Foster Care Independence Act of 1999.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, MAY 27, 1999

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: to hold hearings on S.935, to amend the National Agricultural Research, Extension, and Teaching Policy Act of 1977 to authorize research to promote the conversion of biomass into biobased industrial products, 9:30 a.m., SR-328A.

Committee on Appropriations: business meeting to mark up proposed legislation making appropriations for fiscal year 2000 for Energy and Water Development programs, and to mark up proposed legislation making appropriations for fiscal year 2000 for the Department of Transportation and related agencies, 9:30 a.m., SD-106.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: to hold hearings on S.761, to regulate interstate commerce by electronic means by permitting and encouraging the continued expansion of electronic commerce through the operation of free market forces, 10 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: to hold hearings on the nomination of David L. Goldwyn, of the District of Columbia to be an Assistant Secretary of Energy (International Affairs); and the nomination of James B. Lewis, of New Mexico, to be Director of the Office of Minority Economic Impact, Department of Energy, 10 a.m., SD-366.

Subcommittee on Water and Power, to hold hearings on S. 623, to amend Public Law 89-108 to increase authorization levels for State and Indian tribal, municipal, rural, and industrial water supplies, to meet current and future water quantity and quality needs of the Red River Valley, to deauthorize certain project features and irrigation service areas, to enhance natural resources and fish and wildlife habitat; S. 244, to authorize the construction of the Lewis and Clark Rural Water System and to authorize assistance to the Lewis and Clark Rural Water System, Inc., a nonprofit corporation, for the planning and construction of the water supply system;

S. 769, to provide a final settlement on certain debt owed by the city of Dickinson, North Dakota, for the construction of the bascule gates on the Dickinson Dam; S. 1027, to reauthorize the participation of the Bureau of Reclamation in the Deschutes Resources Conservancy; and H.R. 459, to extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act for FERC Project No. 9401, the Mt. Hope Waterpower Project, 2 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife, and Drinking Water, to hold hearings on S. 1100, to amend the Endangered Species Act of 1973 to provide that the designation of critical habitat for endangered and threatened species be required as part of the development of recovery plans for those species, 10:30 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Finance: to resume hearings on Medicare reform issues, focusing on the work of the National Bipartisan Commission on the Future of Medicare, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on East Asian and Pacific Affairs, to hold hearings to examine the Chinese Embassy bombing and its effects on United States-China relations, 10 a.m., SD-562.

Full Committee, to hold hearings on the nomination of David B. Sandalow, of the District of Columbia, to be Assistant Secretary of State for Oceans and International Environmental and Scientific Affairs; and the nomination of Lawrence Harrington, of Tennessee, to be United States Executive Director of the Inter-American Development Bank, 2 p.m., SD-562.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: to hold hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for the National Endowment for the Arts, 10 a.m., SD-628.

Subcommittee on Aging, to resume hearings on issues relating to the Older Americans Act, 2:30 p.m., SD-628.

House

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Transportation, to mark up fiscal year 2000 appropriations, 9:30 a.m., 2358 Rayburn.

Committee on Commerce, Subcommittee on Finance and Hazardous Materials, to mark up H.R. 10, Financial Services Act of 1999, 9:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Health and Environment, hearing on Medical Records Confidentiality in the Modern Delivery of Health Care, 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing to Review and Oversight of the 1998 Reading Results of the National Assessment of Education Programs (NAEP)—The Nation's Report Card, 9:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, hearing on "How Accurate is the FDA's Monitoring of Supplements Like Ephedra?" 1 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights and the Subcommittee on Africa, joint hearing on the Crisis Against Humanity in Sudan, 1:30 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law, hearing and markup of H.R. 915, to authorize a cost of living adjustment in the pay of administrative law judges, 10 a.m., 2226 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on the Constitution, hearing on H.R. 1218, Child Custody Protection Act, 9 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Courts and Intellectual Property, oversight hearing on Electronic Communication Privacy Policy Disclosure, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Crime, hearing on pending Firearms legislation and the Administration's Enforcement of Current Gun Laws, 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 535, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to make corrections to a map relating to the Coastal Barrier Resources System; H.R. 1243, National Marine Sanctuaries Enhancement Act of 1999; and H.R. 1431, Coastal Barrier Resources Reauthorization Act of 1999, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans and the Subcommittee on Water and Power, joint hearing on H. Con. Res. 63, expressing the sense of the Congress opposing removal of dams on the Columbia and Snake Rivers for fishery restoration purposes, 10:30 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

Committee on Small Business, Subcommittee on Government Programs and Oversight, hearing on the Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) Program, 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, to consider the following: resolutions authorizing the GSA's Fiscal Year 2000 Capital Investment Program; 2 construction resolutions; H. Con. Res. 91, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for a clinic to be conducted by the United States Luge Association; and H. Con. Res. 105, authorizing the Law Enforcement Torch Run for the 1999 Special Olympics World Games to be run through the Capitol Grounds, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Ways and Means, Subcommittee on Human Resources, hearing on the Effects of Welfare Reform, 10:30 a.m., B-318 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Trade, hearing on the use and effect of unilateral trade sanctions, 11 a.m., 1100 Longworth.